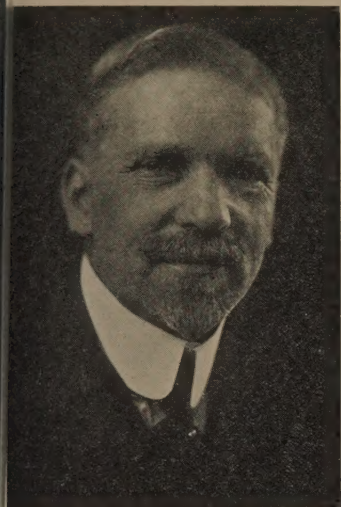


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REV. HERMAN F. SWARTZ, D.D.
Dr. Swartz will preach the Conference sermon on Tuesday evening, October 20.

STOP, LOOK, LISTEN

While churches are facing their own problems in finance, may we urge that they do not forget the larger field of service. The operating deficit of the Conference and Home Missionary Society together for the period April to August 31, 1931, was \$5,189.86. The operating deficit for the corresponding period a year ago was \$2,627.70. This means that our deficit is more than twice as much as a year ago. Part of this increase is accounted for by the fact that everyone of our some missionary churches had pastoral service throughout the entire period, whereas a year ago \$300 a month was saved on account of vacant fields.

A more serious factor is that our California share of benevolences was \$7,037.54 for the period this year, as against \$8,294.37 last year, or a loss of over \$1,250. Word comes from the Commission on Missions office that for the period from January to August inclusive this year the American Board receipts showed a loss of \$41,327, and the Home Boards a loss of \$47,133. The percentage of loss thus far is 9.4, which means that our work will have to be curtailed or given up to the extent of one-tenth of the total.

What are the churches going to do about it in the remaining three months of the year?



REV. NOEL J. BREED, Ph.D.

Dr. Breed is Moderator of the Conference and will deliver the Moderator's address at the Tuesday afternoon session.

STATE CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 20-22, 1931

PLYMOUTH CHURCH, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

--:-- PROGRAM --:--

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Devotions: Rev. Miles B. Fisher, D.D.
- 2:30 Business. Organization, appointment of committees, reports, etc. Superintendent's Report, Rev. Harley H. Gill, D. D.
- 4:30 Moderator's Address. "Where the Church Falters." Rev. Noel J. Breed, Ph.D.

TUESDAY EVENING

- 7:30 Music: Plymouth Church Choir.
- Conference Sermon, "A Way of Life." Rev. Herman F. Swartz, D.D.
- Memorial Service led by Rev. Harvey V. Miller.
- Communion Service, Rev. R. B. Whitaker.
- Offering for Ministerial Relief.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

- 9:30 Seminar for Laymen: "The Church and the Changing World." Rev. Norman B. Henderson, D.D.
(To be held in the Library at front entrance of Plymouth Center)
- 10:00 Federation of Congregational Women. Mrs. Chas. T. Tinker, presiding
- 9:30 Seminar for Pastors: "The Minister and His Message." Rev. Carl S. Patton, D.D.
(To be held in McDonald Hall, up stairs in Plymouth Center)

(To be held in Auditorium)

- Devotional Service: Miss Helen Perkins.
- Address: "Along Unfrequented Trails." Rev. Frank L. Moore, D.D.
- Address: "Every Day Women and Christ." Mrs. Franklin Warner.
- Address: "The Women of India; Their Education and Present Program." Mrs. Theodore Fieldbrave.
- 11:30 JOINT SESSION. Address: "The Japanese Make An Invoice." Rev. Marion E. Hall.

- 12:00 Devotions: Rev. Reed B. Cherington.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Report of Nominating Committee.
- Other Business.
- 3:30 Address: "Congregational Young People at Asilomar." Howard J. Conn.
- 3:45 Address: "The Nature of the Universe, and the Message of Calvary." Rev. L. Wendell Fifield, D.D.
- 4:15 Address: "The Place of the Church in the Cooperative Movement." Dr. Theodore Macklin
- 5:00 Association meetings.
(Associations having business to transact will arrange with the business committee for place of meeting)
- 6:30 Young People's Dinner and Rally:
Plymouth Church. Price per plate 50c.
Toastmaster: Rev. O. W. S. McCall, D.D.
Address: "Is Religion Too Easy?" Rev. Carl S. Patton, D.D.
(Reservations for the Young People's Dinner must be mailed or telephoned to Miss Alice Osborne at Plymouth Church by Monday, October 19. No one will be served the dinner unless they have made reservations, and all who have made reservations will be expected to pay whether present or not.)

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- 7:30 Music: Broadmoor Church Choir.
- Address: "The Crescent and the Cross." Rev. M. G. Papazian.
- Address: "The Unfinished Task." Rev. Frank L. Moore, D.D.

THURSDAY MORNING

- 9:30 Seminar for Laymen: "The Church and the Changing World." Rev. Norman B. Henderson, D.D.
- 9:30 Seminar for Pastors: "The Minister and His Profession." Rev. Carl S. Patton, D.D.
- 10:00 Seminar for Women: Mrs. T. E. Borden, Presiding.
"The Church and the Changing World." Rev. Herman F. Swartz, D. D.
- 11:30 Joint Session.
Address: "Tillotson, and its Place in the Education of Negro Women," President Mary E. Branch.
- 12:00 Devotions: Rev. Henry Stauffer.

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REV. FRANK L. MOORE, D.D.

Dr. Moore will speak at the State Conference and at a number of rallies throughout the state. See inside pages or his schedule.

PRESIDENT BRANCH HOLDS INSTITUTES

Miss Mary E. Branch, President of Tillotson College for Women (colored) of Austin, Texas who will be one of the main speakers at the state Conference, is to be in the Bay area for six weeks, leading mission study groups. President Branch will use as a basis for her discussions the two study books on problems in America: "The Challenge of Change" and "God and the Census." Following this she will tell of her work among colored people. She will visit each one of six churches six times. The schedule will be as follows:

Oakland Pilgrim, Sunday evenings, October 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29.

Hayward, Monday evenings, October 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

Alameda, Tuesday evenings, October 27, November 3, 10, 17, 24, December 1.

Berkeley First, Wednesday evenings, October 28, November 4, 11, 18, 25, December 2.

Oakland Plymouth, Thursday evenings, October 29, November 5, 12, 19, December 3.

Berkeley North, Friday evenings, October 30, November 6, 13, 20, 27, December 4.

In addition, President Branch will occupy pulpits in the Bay region on Sunday mornings, and will speak to women's groups in various churches in the afternoons.

President Branch has been at Tillotson College just one year. Prior to that time she was dean of the largest High School for negro girls in the United States. She has pursued graduate studies at Chicago University, Columbia University and the Universities of Pennsylvania and Kansas. She comes to Northern California through arrangement with the Commission on Missions.

While it is hoped that everyone attending the Conference will be able to share in its expense through registration, we want it clearly understood that all are welcome to attend the sessions whether they are able to register or not.

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Santa Clara Welcomes Hall

As announced in the last issue of the Pacific, Rev. Marion E. Hall is to spend six weeks in the Santa Clara Association, following his attendance at the annual meeting of the state Conference. Mr. Hall will conduct a discussion group in six churches, visiting each church six times. He will use as a basis for study the interdenominational missionary text books, "The Rural Billion" and "Christ Comes to the Village." Following the 45 minute round table, he will speak on his own work in Japan.

Mr. Hall is one of three missionaries on furlough who presented the missionary cause so effectively that the American Board decided to hold them in this country beyond their allotted time in order to visit the churches. He is on the faculty of the Doshisha and is regarded as an expert on the cultural and artistic life of Japan. He is a graduate of Hillsdale College and Union Seminary.

Mr. Hall's schedule is as follows:
San Mateo, Sunday evenings, October 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29.
Redwood City, Monday evenings, October 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.
San Carlos, Tuesday evenings, October 27, November 3, 10, 17, 24, December 1.
Campbell, Wednesday evenings, October 4, 11, 18, 26, December 2.
Saratoga, Thursday evenings, October 29, November 5, 12, 19, December 3.
Palo Alto, Friday evenings, October 30, November 6, 13, 20, 27, December 4.

Y. P. Institute

An Institute of Young People's Problems in the East Bay was held on Sunday, September 20, 1931, at the First Congregational Church in Berkeley. This institute was sponsored by the East Bay Council of Congregational Young People.

The purpose of this Institute was to help the sponsors, the officers, and the chairmen of the young people's groups in the East Bay region, to make their work more effective. Dr. Swartz of the Pacific School of Religion opened the Institute. Harold Cowdrey, president of the East Bay Council, introduced the seminar leaders. The five seminars and their leaders were:

Administration by Dr. Ralph Wad-dell.

Membership by Mr. Ralph Scott.
Program by Mr. Clifford Simpson.
Socials by Mr. Williston Wirt.
Worship by Dr. Gail Cleland.

There were 80 delegates at this Institute from ten East Bay churches.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

- 2:00 Election of Officers.
Other Business.
3:30 Address: "Organized Fellowship." Rev. E. D. Gaylord, D.D.
4:00 Address: "Internationalism." Mr. Allen C. Blaisdell.
4:20 Address: "The New Day." Mrs. Franklin Warner.
4:40 Address: "Religion and Crises." Rev. John R. Hahn.
5:15 Meeting of Conference Board of Directors for Organization.
(Pastor's Study)

THURSDAY EVENING

- 6:30 Women's Dinner
First Congregational Church, 26th & Harrison Streets, Oakland.
Tickets 75c.
Toastmistress: Mrs. Edwin V. Krick.
Address: "Traveling Country Roads in Mexico."
Mrs. Franklin Warner
Address: "My Work at Tillotson." President Mary E. Branch.
6:45 Men's Dinner
Social Hall, Plymouth Church.
Tickets—\$1.00.
Toastmaster: Mr. Leon B. Reynolds.
Address: "What is Really Wrong with the Community?"
Rev. L. W. Fifield, D.D.

Tickets for both men's and women's dinners must be purchased from pastors of churches or from Rev. Harley H. Gill, 421 Phelan Building, San Francisco, not later than Tuesday afternoon, October 29, at 4 o'clock.

MEMBERSHIP

All regularly ordained ministers and all churches who are members of local associations within the boundaries of the Northern California Congregational Conference are by virtue of that fact members of the Conference.

All ministerial members are entitled to vote in the annual sessions of the Conference.

Each church which is a member of this Conference shall be entitled to two delegates and to one additional delegate for each full 100 members in excess of 200; provided that no church shall be entitled to more than five delegates in any meeting.

GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

Heretofore the registration fee has been \$3.00. This year we are counting on a larger number and have reduced the fee to \$1.00. All ministers, voting delegates, non-voting delegates and visitors are asked to register in advance of coming. Pastors of churches will have the registration cards and are authorized to receive the money.

While it is hoped that everyone attending the Conference will be able to share in its expense through registration, we want it clearly understood that all are welcome to attend the sessions whether they are able to register or not.

LOCATION OF THE CHURCH

Plymouth Church is located on Piedmont Avenue, one block north of Moss.

From San Francisco take Key Route Ferry and Piedmont train, to 40th and Piedmont station. Walk two blocks south.

From Berkeley take College Avenue car No. 6 to Moss Ave. and walk one block east and one block north.

From down town Oakland take car No. 10 on Broadway to the church.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information concerning this Conference may be had from Rev. Harley H. Gill, Superintendent, 421 Phelan Building, San Francisco.

The following paragraph is clipped from "The Pioneer," published by the Pioneer Congregational Church of Sacramento, Rev. Lawrence Wilson pastor:

Pastor's Paragraph

I am anxious about the crisis in our democracy. Democracy is going to have a struggle for its survival everywhere. I am particularly concerned about our Congregational democracy. Are we all willing to meet here on an equal basis, sharing alike in the spiritual blessings of our church, without respect to whether we are able to give much or little? Is the man who can give but a small amount willing to

come and take his full part in our services? Is the man who has been materially blessed willing to give more largely than ever in order that he may make up for his brother who is in need? Unless we can answer these questions affirmatively our cherished Congregational democracy breaks down. In this Church of ours we have long held to faith in the spiritual equality of all brothers in Christ. So let everyone come and participate equally in our church life. Let no one be restrained by any financial considerations. And may those who are able, by their added giving, make it possible for others to feel that they can freely come.

Dr. Moore's Schedule

Rev. Frank Lincoln Moore, D. D., secretary of missions of the western division for the Church Extension Boards will be one of the speakers at the State Conference and will remain in the state about two weeks for a series of rallies. Dr. Moore began his ministry as a Sunday School organizer and circuit rider in the Rocky Mountains. Subsequently he was pastor then state superintendent and finally secretary of missions of the national board. There is no man in our fellowship who knows the problems of the church in our great west as does Dr. Moore.

While he cannot reach all of our churches, invitations have been extended for neighboring churches to join in rallies at certain points. Superintendent Gill will accompany him at a number of places, speaking briefly on the work of our state conference.

Dr. Moore's schedule is as follows:
Friday evening, October 23. *Rio Vista.

Sunday morning, October 25. *Oroville.

Sunday evening, October 25. *Paradise.

Monday evening, October 26. *Auburn (Grass Valley and Loomis uniting).

Tuesday evening, October 27. *Pittsburg (Antioch, Bay Point and Martinez uniting).

Wednesday evening, October 28. *Santa Rosa (Petaluma, Sebastopol, Cotati, Guerneville, and Cloverdale uniting).

Thursday evening, October 29. *Sonoma (Kenwood and Glen Ellen uniting).

Friday evening, October 30. *Benicia (Suisun and Crockett uniting).

Sunday morning, November 1. Sacramento.

Sunday evening, November 1. Stockton.

Monday evening, November 2. Lodi (Lodi German, Lockeford, Elk Grove uniting).

Tuesday evening, November 3. Ceres (Salida and Ripon uniting).

Wednesday evening, November 4. Tulare.

Thursday evening, November 5. Porterville.

Friday evening, November 6. Union meeting of German Congregational Churches of Fresno and vicinity at Zion Church, Fresno.

Sunday morning, November 8. Fresno First.

Sunday evening, November 8. Fresno Pilgrim.

Monday evening, November 9. *Santa Cruz.

Tuesday evening, November 10. *Pacific Grove.

Those marked with an asterisk will be visited by Superintendent Gill as well as by Dr. Moore.

CONGRESS ECHOES

Continuation conferences of the North American Home Missions Congress which was held in Washington, D. C. last December, will be held in Oakland December 7 and in San Francisco December 8.

Rev. William R. King, D. D., Executive Secretary of the Home Missions Council, and a team of speakers including Rev. Worth M. Tippy, D. D. will be present. It is the purpose to bring the message of the Washington Congress to California and also to face the serious problems that now concern family life.

A general invitation is extended to the public.

NEWS FROM CHURCHES AND THEIR LEADERS

OAKLAND FIRST. In announcing subject for Go to Church Sunday, "A Handful of Dynamite," Rev. J. Van Horn, pastor, suggests that something ought to stir our laggard consciences on the subject of churching:

"Suppose every Church member for just this one day acknowledged the full meaning of his obligation. Suppose every friend of the Church threw the weight of his own example on the side of the Church. Suppose every one who wishes the young people to learn the meaning and value of religion should lead the way to a place of worship. Would not the thronged streets, the crowded churches, the happy congregations be a blessing to the whole city? We have plenty of Sundays of the other sort—why not try a day for religion, the higher things of Life?"

SALINAS. On September 19 Rev. F. Royola and his family sailed from San Francisco for the Philippine Islands, where he will enter upon religious work. For the present no successor to Mr. Royola will be chosen. A departing Mr. Royola said: "It is with deepest regret that I leave the field. The many friends we made here, both Filipino and American, regret to see us leave, but we find it very necessary to do so. I want to express my deepest appreciation to everyone of those Christian friends who so generously contributed moral and financial support to the work. I want to assure them that I carry with me the cherished memory of their Christian attitude and good will."

GUERNEVILLE. Rev. J. W. Price serves as a member of the Board of Directors and Chairman of the Scout troop committee of the Rotary Club. He furnishes a column of material for the local papers every week, commenting on local and national events. He reports a total attendance of the Sunday School of 1700, which is an average of 33½ per Sunday.

SAN JOSE. This church has secured the services of Mr. Pierson Parker, director of Religious Education. Mr. Parker, who is a student at Pacific School of Religion, will spend the week ends at San Jose. At the evening service Rev. Benjamin Gould, the pastor, is leading in discussions on the National Council seminars.

FOWLER. Rev. G. M. Manavian has resigned, after a number of years service. He will go to Detroit, Michigan, to serve an Armenian church for a six months' time. Northern California will miss Mr. Manavian, who always adds to every occasion a spirit of good will and Christian fellowship.

OAKLAND BETHANY. Rev. V. H. Messany, pastor, reports very encouraging attendance at all services of worship, especially by young people.

SUNNYVALE. The year's work has opened with the fellowship supper on the evening of September 30. Superintendent Gill was the speaker. About 75 persons gathered to cheer the pastor, Rev. C. G. Marshall, in his plans for the coming months.

SAN FRANCISCO CALVARY. Our Armenian churches lay great emphasis upon the work among young people. Rev. H. A. Kartozian, the pastor of this church, reports a total young people's society membership of 39, with average attendance of 32.

PETALUMA. The work at the Petaluma church started this fall with great activity in all departments. The attendance at the Sunday services has been greater than on corresponding dates of previous years. On the 27th, at the Annual Roll Call, there were many more responses than in former years.

The Women's Service Club held a Spanish Fiesta in the gardens of the G. P. McNear home. Several hundred people enjoyed the beauty of the setting, the programs and the many concessions. Decorations, costumes, program and cafeteria supper all carried out the Spanish idea. It was also a financial success.

At the evening service on the 20th, the Young People's Society presented the play, "Jephthah's Daughter."

180 persons sat down to the Fall Rally Dinner on September 30, which was addressed by Rev. Norman B. Henderson of Fresno.

ANGEL'S CAMP. Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Munton have just entered upon their second year of service. At a recent Sunday morning service there were 73 persons present, 13 of whom were men, which is an unprecedented occasion for this church. The average attendance at the young people's society is 21 out of a total enrollment of 23. The young people serve as a church choir. A dinner and reception was tendered by the church to the teachers of the public school, which was largely attended, Superintendent Gill making address.

MURPHY. On Sunday, September 6, the church building was rededicated. About \$600 has been expended on the property, which is now in excellent condition. New lighting fixtures have been installed, and the building thoroughly painted and renovated. The church maintains a good Sunday School under the leadership of Mrs. Evalyn Stephens. Rev. J. T. Munton conducts services of worship in the evening.

ALAMEDA. Rev. Gail Cleland, the pastor, has been one of the leaders in an effort to clean up corrupt political conditions in his city. That his efforts are appreciated is shown by the large Sunday evening congregations when he has spoken on such subjects as: In Darkest Alameda, Darker and Darker Yet, and Our City in Time of World Crisis.

BERKELEY FIRST. Rev. O. W. S. McCall, pastor, announces his fall series of sermons to youth on the general theme "Romance of the Great Highway." His subjects are: Youth says "Goodbye"; Cross Roads and Side Tracks; Robbery Under Arms; The Coming of Love; Towers Above the Dust.

OAKLAND PLYMOUTH. As a beginning on a Life Adjustment Clinic, a course of lectures by Dr. Sydney Kinnear Smith, psychiatrist, has been announced. An evening was recently devoted by Rev. T. T. Giffen, the pastor, to items of interest from the autobiography of David Starr Jordan.

President Curran, of the Association against the Prohibition Amendment, recently stated: "It seems certain that a majority of the people is ready to vote to repeal prohibition." But—43 of the 48 state legislatures met during 1931; 32 repeal measures were introduced; all were defeated! Perhaps Major Curran is mistaken.—National WCTU Release, May 18, 1931.

PITTSBURG. The leading realtor of Contra Costa County is chairman of the finance committee of this church. This committee meets weekly and works daily. A check-up on the influence of this church, in the Community, reveals that all women's organizations are headed by church members: the Public Health Nurse, Matron of Eastern Star, President of Women's Clubs, President of Health Center, and President of P. T. A. are all active members of this Church.

Eleven persons were received into membership during September. The Christian Endeavor opened the fall semester with 72 present on a Sunday evening.

HUMBOLDT COUNTY. The team of speakers which visited Ferndale and Eureka have reported a most enjoyable and profitable experience. Mrs. Charles T. Tinker conducted a conference of women in which both churches were represented. Mrs. H. H. Gill led devotions. Rev. Ralph C. Waddell preached at Eureka and lead young people's meetings. Superintendent Gill preached at Ferndale and Eureka. Field's Landing was represented at the sessions.

OAKLAND PILGRIM. Rev. C. H. Cleaves, pastor of Pilgrim Church, has lengthened his work on Sunday. He announced that he would conduct a training class for teachers prior to the Sunday School period. This seemed to be what the teachers wanted, for on the first Sunday 17 enrolled in the class, and several others have signified that they wish to join.

TRINITY COUNTY. Rev. Robert James Allen continues his missionary service, reaching into the remote districts of the county. Superintendent Gill recently visited the field, preaching at Hyampom, Hayfork, Lewiston and Weaverville, and visiting Trinity Center. It required 300 miles of driving over mountain roads. Everywhere there are evidences of the affection in which Mr. and Mrs. Allen are held.

SALIDA. At a recent communion service four young men were received into the membership of the church. The church has asked that missionary aid be discontinued in order to help the Conference meet the emergency in other places, and to permit the pastor, Rev. Jessie Getty Heath, to have more time for her own family.

PARADISE. The two Christian Endeavor societies of Paradise sent 23 delegates to attend the Convention in San Francisco, and had a very inspiring echo meeting in the church the following Sunday evening.

SANTA ROSA. The first fellowship meeting of the year was held September 23rd, with a good attendance. The address was delivered by Rev. Norman Pendleton of San Francisco. Rev. J. J. Jones, the pastor, has fully recovered from his recent illness.

OAKLAND FRUITVALE. Six Sunday School teachers have enrolled for the standard training school. There was a splendid congregation on Rally Sunday. Mr. James E. Boyd is the pastor.

BERKELEY PARK. The Sunday School is growing, with an enrollment of 91, and an attendance reaching as high as 80. Plans for the year will be outlined at the Men's Dinner on October 7.

NOVEMBER 15, 1931

One hundred and twenty-five years ago last August, a group of young men at Williamstown, Massachusetts, started the foreign missionary movement in America. Twenty-five years ago next November, a group of laymen in New York City started the Laymen's Missionary Movement. These two beginnings took place in two meetings where in a rare way men had "full power to speak of their faith and full insight into its meaning." Congregationalists are especially interested in these meetings because one of them led directly to the formation of the American Board, and because the second of them was the outgrowth of the celebration by the Board of the one hundredth anniversary of the Haystack Meeting, as the gathering at Williamstown has come to be called, and was summoned by a young Congregational layman, John B. Sleman, Jr., of Washington, D. C. Letters are going out to our ministers inviting them and their churches to share in the observance of the anniversaries of these two great meetings and the beginning of these two great movements on Sunday, November 15, 1931. Here is a great opportunity to bring our people into contact with vital Christian experience and with a powerful expression of that experience. Let us devote that Sunday morning to improving this opportunity, and where interdenominational meetings are held in the afternoon let us join in them. Especially ought it to be a day when the men of our churches are called to a reproduction for our time and our need of the spirit which produced such results in a former time and in response to a former need.

SAN FRANCISCO. GRACE-TRINITY CENTER UNITED CHURCH. During April, May and June, 23,067 garments were made and mended in the sewing department, and more than 47,000 garments were distributed during the same period. Rev. Norman Pendleton is surely leading the social service program in a wonderful way.

SEBASTOPOL. On the evening of September 16 a splendid fellowship meeting was held with Mr. Jos. Kell, manager of the Burbank Farm, as speaker. Rev. George E. Atkinson, the pastor, has been re-elected as a member of the official family of the State Christian Endeavor Union.

NEW WORK AT CROCKETT
A brand new piece of missionary work has been opened at Crockett. The Presbyterian and Congregational denominations are co-operating with the local Federated Church in ministering to foreign peoples of that city. Miss Mary Elizabeth Hunt has been secured to live among the foreign peoples, to visit their homes, to conduct Sunday School and club work for the children. There are many Mexican and Russian people in the community, many of whom have lost touch with the Catholic Church.

THE WIVES MEET
The Congregational Ministers' Wives Club of the Bay area held their fall meeting on September 29th at the home of the president, Mrs. O. W. S. McCall in Berkeley.

Following a delicious luncheon Mrs. C. S. Nash led devotional service. Mrs. George T. Tolson sang a group of songs. Mrs. C. C. McCown spoke on her experiences in the Holy Land. Forty-one members responded to the roll call.

WOMEN'S FEDERATION NEWS

Edited by Mrs. T. E. Borden, Mrs. C. J. Hawkins, Mrs. Birdie A. Dorland
ARE YOU READY?

For the Conference, of course, of the Northern California Congregational Churches. When? Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, October 20, 21, 22. Where? Plymouth Congregational Church, Oakland, Reverend Thomas T. Giffen, pastor.

You cannot afford to miss the meetings. An unusually large number of well known people have been selected as speakers.

What About the Women's Sessions?

They will be held on two mornings, Wednesday and Thursday, at 10 o'clock. Wednesday morning will be devoted to the Fall Meeting of the Women's Federation, our president, Mrs. Charles Tinker, presiding. Miss Helen Perkins will have charge of the devotions and Dr. Frank L. Moore will speak on "Along Unfrequented Trails." Mrs. Theodore Fieldbrave, who has just returned from a visit to India, will be another speaker. Mrs. Fieldbrave is the wife of the well known missionary to the Hindus on the Pacific Coast. Her subject will be "Women of India, Their Education and Present Program." Mrs. Franklin Warner of New York and Claremont, will also speak to us on "Every Day Women and Christ." Mrs. Warner is well known to all of us. She and her husband have been distinguished leaders in our Congregational Denomination for many years.

On Thursday morning, at 10 o'clock, Dr. Herman F. Swartz, President of the Pacific School of Religion, will conduct a Seminar for women. The subject will be "The Church and the Changing World," while the discussion will deal with the authorized findings of the Council in Seattle. Mrs. Thomas E. Borden, vice-president of the Board of Conference Directors, will preside.

Have you secured your ticket for the Women's dinner, Thursday, October 22 at the First Congregational Church, Oakland, at 6:30 o'clock? If not secure it at once, through your own church. Be prompt, for October 20, Tuesday, will be the last day you can obtain one. Price 75c. Mrs. Warner will speak on "Travelling Country Roads in Mexico." Miss Mary E. Branch, President of Tillotson College, Texas, will also speak. Delegates do not expect entertainment at this Conference, but it would be a very gracious thing to open one's home to a guest at this time. It might make it possible for some woman to attend who would otherwise find it impossible.

A Warless World

Here is an opportunity to show where you stand! Will you help?

The Council of Women for Home Missions (interdenominational), is raising a fund of \$10,000 which is to be used for peace education. \$50 is the quota for the Congregationalists of Northern California, and it is to be raised by selling Peace Stamps. These are very attractive, a white world on a blue background, a white dove above. The price is 1c each. They are to be used like the Red Cross stamps. They will be on sale at the Conference. BUY AS MANY AS YOU CAN AFFORD AND USE LIBERALLY ON YOUR LETTERS.

CHANGE AT FORT BIDWELL

Beginning September 1, Miss Mary Coxhead will devote her full time to work among the Indians. She will make her headquarters at Alturas, and in addition to the work with the Indians at Fort Bidwell, will visit Likely, Canby and Alturas, where there are Indian communities. Clothes and supplies should be addressed to her at Alturas.

A Gift For the Doshisha, Japan

The Woman's Board of Missions of the Pacific has recently voted \$5000 towards a pipe organ for the chapel of the new Eldridge Memorial Hall of the Doshisha.

This gift is to show appreciation of Miss Denton's 43 years of devoted service. It was made possible by the very generous legacy for that amount left by Mrs. George H. Collins. Mr. and Mrs. Collins were, for over 50 years, loyal members of the First Congregational Church, Oakland. Both sang in the chorus (Mr. Collins for over 40 years) enriching it with their beautiful, cultivated voices. Mrs. Collins travelled widely abroad, but never lost touch with any who might need her assistance at home. She was modest, unassuming, but so eager and enthusiastic, ready to help every good cause and unflagging in her interests and sympathies until the very last when, with scarcely any warning, she slipped quietly through the Portals of the Home Beyond where loved ones were waiting to receive her. When asked for any financial help her characteristic reply was "I am so glad to do it."

"She is not dead, she is just away! With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand

She has wandered into an unknown land,

And left us dreaming how very fair It needs must be since SHE lingers there."

A Prohibition Study Class in Every Church!

At its September meeting, the Federation went on record as believing there should be a definite study of the Prohibition question in every church at the earliest possible date.

Thursday, September 24, seven sections of the Woman's Association of the First Church, Berkeley, representing 500 women, met and heartily endorsed President Hoover's stand on the 18th Amendment and the Volstead Law. They sent resolutions to this effect by wire to President Hoover, also a resolution deploring the recent action of the California American Legion at Long Beach, which uproariously passed a resolution to modify the Volstead Law, the opposition being shouted down.

The time has come for EVERY WOMAN to be vitally and actively interested in this great subject, to follow its progress closely and be able to meet the attacks and propaganda of the "wets" intelligently and forcefully.

When "Rich Antis," so-called, as pictured in the Sunday Chronicle for September 27, will have the effrontery to pose as leaders of a great cause, using little, helpless children as a subterfuge, it is time the women of the country rose en masse. When these women claim that the repeal of Prohibition will do away with all the evils of the land, bootlegging, roadhouses, lawlessness, crime, and urge this "FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR CHILDREN," as they did boldly and unequivocally in the same paper, asking the women of our country to work and vote for this repeal, it is time we other mothers for the sake of OUR children, and others less favored, took our stand against this cruel misrepresentation of facts, if not downright dishonesty.



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Real Indian Gifts From Fort Bidwell For Christmas!

Miss Mary Coxhead, who spoke so entertainingly before the Women's Federation in August, counting it one of her "pleasant memories of the summer," is back at work among the Indians. Here are some suggestions she sends: 1. She wishes to get many of the Indians to become self-supporting. Will you help? She is sending samples of their work, gloves, beaded bags, baskets, moccasins. These will be displayed at the Conference where orders will be taken. Watch for them and do your bit.

2. There are 300 Indians to supply with Christmas gifts. Will the churches who help each year in this work send them very early. This will be a great help. These Indians will receive very little, but will be so grateful for beads, handkerchiefs, children's books and toys, all of which may be purchased at the "Red Front Gift Shop" (the 10c store).

Lost and Strayed—Not Stolen

Five Missionary Programs, 10c each. Titles, "Our Outreach to the Rural World"; "Money"; one study book, "Christ Comes to the Village." These were taken by mistake at the Executive Board Meeting, Oakland, September 17. As Mrs. Cleland is responsible for them please get in touch with her or send the money, 10c for the programs, 50c for the book. Address Mrs. Gail Cleland, 2000 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda.

MRS. NELLIE A. SHOEMAKER

On Sunday morning, September 20, Rev. Nellie A. Shoemaker, the wife of Rev. John R. Shoemaker, passed into the other room of the Father's house. Mrs. Shoemaker was born in Illinois 63 years ago, but spent her childhood and youth in Nebraska. She was educated in the Gibbon Collegiate Institute. In 1891 she was married to Mr. Shoemaker and together they have served a number of churches in the middle west. In 1900 she was ordained a minister of the United Brethren Church, but in 1911 with her husband, she transferred into the Congregational fellowship. Pastorates were held at Loleta, Adin, Fort Bidwell and Calvary Oakland. In truth these were joint pastorates, for Mrs. Shoemaker was not only the lady of the manse but also pastor and sometimes preacher. No more faithful and unselfish service was ever rendered by a child of God than she gave.

Two children, four grandchildren, five brothers and one sister, besides her husband, survive her. Services were held in the Oakland Calvary Church, Superintendent Gill officiating.

WORKS THAT FOLLOW AFTER:

How many people there are who live in two worlds. Having completed their tasks here and gone on to the Other Room of the Father's House, they have left behind them legacies for the institutions in which they have been interested. Surely we would all rejoice when we have laid down our tasks here to know that the same dear church and its missionary work which have had our devotion for so many years are able to go forward strengthened because we have provided in our wills for their support.

Forms for Bequests:

I give and bequeath to
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE OF
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
the sum of \$.....(.....dollars).
Name.....

I give and bequeath to
CALIFORNIA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF SAN FRANCISCO,
CALIFORNIA
the sum of \$.....(.....dollars).
Name.....

I give and bequeath to
CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS' RELIEF SOCIETY OF CALIFORNIA,
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
the sum of \$.....(.....dollars).
Name.....

Pianos Wanted

Miss Frances Clapp, who heads the music department of the Doshisha in Japan, writes of the very great need of pianos for practice purposes. "There are eight teachers here at work covering 50 or more hours of voluntary or required chorus singing and glee club work beside the teaching of piano, violin, organ and so on. We would like good used pianos; a good make that will stand up under the punishment of 8 to 10 hours daily use, so not worn out to begin with. Are there not many pianos in homes little used now because radios and other appliances take their place? Pianos sent to a school come in duty free. In my work this need is so urgent that nothing competes with it. Several of our best teachers are so worked up over our lack that I fear we may lose them. There are 1400 pupils in our girls' school. In music we still have a waiting list even among the dormitory girls, for want of practice rooms and pianos."

Perhaps there are people in Northern California who would make gifts of good used pianos for use in Doshisha Girls' School in Japan. Western music is in demand, and does much to make the homes more socially useful and enjoyable. Friends who can make offers to meet this situation are asked to confer with Mrs. Kofoid, 2616 Etna St., Berkeley, California, or Mrs. E. V. Krick, 1700 Jones St., San Francisco, California.

HONOR ROLL

According to report from the Annuity Fund for Congregational Ministers, the following churches in our conference have made provision for paying a portion of their pastors' dues in the Annuity Fund:

Berkeley First.
Berkeley North.
Fresno First.
Lodi First.
Oakland Fruitvale.
Oakland Plymouth.
Palo Alto First.
Porterville First.
Sacramento First.
San Jose First.
Santa Cruz First.
Sebastopol First.
Tulare First.

To this should be added Weaver-ville and Ceres. Alturas and Fairfax are now giving the matter consideration.

If there are any churches that have been omitted from the list, which are making this provision, we will be glad to make correction in a subsequent issue.